

**821—2.15(48A) Verification of voter registration information.** Every new voter registration application by mail shall be entered as “pending verification” until the applicant’s Iowa driver’s license number, Iowa department of transportation-issued nonoperator’s identification card number, or the last four digits of the applicant’s social security number can be verified. The registrar may arrange with the department of transportation for county commissioners of elections to verify voter registration records without submitting the registration information to the registrar.

**2.15(1)** When the application is received, the registrar or commissioner shall compare the Iowa driver’s license number, Iowa department of transportation-issued nonoperator’s identification card number, or the last four digits of the social security number of each mail application with the records of the department of transportation.

**2.15(2)** All of the following information on the application must match an existing record:

*a.* All digits and numerals in the Iowa driver’s license number, Iowa department of transportation-issued nonoperator’s identification card number, or the last four digits of the social security number.

*b.* Name.

*c.* Date of birth, including the month, day and year.

**2.15(3)** If all three required elements do not match, the application shall be rejected and the applicant shall be notified of the reason. The notice shall include the following statement:

“Your voter registration application was rejected because the information you provided could not be verified. Your name, date of birth and Iowa driver’s license number, Iowa non-driver ID number, or the last four digits of your social security number were compared to the Iowa driver’s license records. The following items did not match an existing record: [list nonmatching items].

“You may send in a new registration form. Please print your name, date of birth and Iowa driver’s license number exactly as they appear on your Iowa driver’s license. If you do not have an Iowa driver’s license, print your name, date of birth and Iowa non-driver ID number exactly as they appear on your non-driver ID card. If you don’t have either of those cards, use the last four digits of your social security number and print your name on the registration form exactly as it appears on your social security card. You may also register in person at [auditor’s office address and other registration addresses at the discretion of the commissioner]. In-person registration applications are not subject to verification.”

**2.15(4)** If the application is verified, the registration record shall be made “active.” The registrar or commissioner shall keep records showing whether the information in the application was verified and the date of the verification report. If the application cannot be verified, the record shall show what information on the application did not match an existing record. The verification information shall be kept for the period of time required in Iowa Code section 48A.32.

**2.15(5)** If an application cannot be verified before the close of registration, the applicant shall be notified by mail. The notice shall read as follows:

“Your application for voter registration has been submitted for verification, but has not yet been verified. Your name will not appear on the election register for the \_\_\_\_\_ election. If you vote, you will be required to cast a provisional ballot. Your ballot will be counted only if your registration can be verified by [date and time of county canvass of votes].

“The following information has been submitted for verification: Name, date of birth, Iowa driver’s license number, Iowa non-driver ID number or the last four digits of your social security number. If any of this information is wrong, please contact \_\_\_\_\_ immediately.”